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1. COMMENTING ON SEPT. 26 NAC DISCUSSION OF ATLANTIC

RELATIONS (REFTEL) FONOFF NATO DEPT. OFFICIAL DEALING WITH ATLANTIC DECLARATION EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING THAT US OFFICIALS PREFER TO AWAIT OUTCOME OF NEW YORK DISCUSSIONS THIS WEEK BEFORE TURNING TO DRAFTING OF DECLARATION. OFFICIAL ADDED HOPE THAT, FOLLOWING NEW YORK DISCUSSIONS AND CHANCELLOR BRANDT'S UPCOMING VISIT TO WASHINGTON, THINGS WILL START MOVING SWIFTLY AND CONCRETELY NEXT WEEK AT NATO.

2. AFTER NOTING US POSITION AT SEPT. 26 NAC, FONOFF REP SAID HE HOPED US WOULD GO ALONG WITH CANADIAN TEXT AS A BASIS FOR JOINT DRAFTING OF NATO DECLARATION. FONOFF REP SAID IT WOULD BE BETTER TO AVOID TABLING A FULL US DRAFT, AS THIS MIGHT TEND TO PUSH EUROPEAN ALLIES TOGETHER AND CREATE THE APPEARANCE OF A CONFRONTATION BETWEEN US AND EUROPEAN DELEGATIONS IN NATO. IT WOULD BE BETTER, IN THE GERMAN VIEW, TO USE A MORE NEUTRAL DRAFT SUCH AS THE CANADIAN ONE AS THE BASIS OF NEGOTIATION AND THEN SEEK TO ENRICH IT AND BUILD UPON IT.
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